

GOMPERS DENOUNCES AUTHORS OF STATEMENTS ATTRIBUTED TO HIM

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GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE OF THE SWITCHMEN'S UNION AWAIT REPLY FROM PRESIDENT.

SCRANTON, Pa., July 30.—Grandmaster Hawley of the Switchmen's union announced today that 80 per cent of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroads men voted for a strike and that a grievance committee is now awaiting a reply from President Truesdell to a letter sent last night requesting a conference with a view to effecting a settlement before the committee takes up the question of ordering the men out. The discharge of certain switchmen appears to be the cause of the threatened strike.

BRYAN ACCEPTS MULE AS MASCOT

FAIRVIEW, Neb., July 30.—The actual preparation of his speech of acceptance was begun by Bryan today. Among the notable visitors who will be present on the day of notification will be John Kern, Democratic vice presidential nominee. At the conclusion of the exercises Bryan will receive the notification committee and several distinguished guests at Fairview, where a supper will be served on the lawn.

Unlike his distinguished opponent who refused to accept an elephant as a mascot, Bryan today in response to a letter from the agricultural society of Minnesota, telegraphed that he would be delighted to avail himself of their offer to send him an "Educated" mule as a mascot. "He is said to understand the habits of the elephant," declared Bryan with a twinkle of his eye. "And for that reason, among others, I shall accept him."

JUDGE DENOUNCES ALL HIGH GRADERS

DENVER, July 30.—Judge Lewis today rendered a decision in favor of the Goldfield Mohawk Mining company in the suit to recover ore valued at over \$16,000 claimed by the company to have been high-graded from their mine at Goldfield.

The ore was sold to a Colorado smelter company by George Richard and Frank C. Cochran, two Goldfielders, and the company caused their arrest, charging them with high-grading and demanding the return of the ore. The decision of the court here today gives the Mohawk the ore.

In rendering his decision Judge Lewis roasted the high-graders of Nevada and the principles of high-grading, condemning the protection afforded these men by the jurors sitting in many cases.

THREE DISAPPEAR BY BOAT CAPSIZING

EVERETT, Wash., July 30.—Three lives were lost this afternoon by the capsizing of the yawl Elizabeth in Everett harbor, two miles from shore. Several persons saw the craft overturn, but it was twelve minutes before the launch reached the scene and then no trace of boat nor inmates was found.

RAILWAY STRIKE IN EAST

RUMORED THAT RESIGNATIONS HAVE BEEN TENDERED BY OFFICIALS.

It is rumored that important changes have taken place in the Tonopah and Goldfield railroad. The resignation of C. K. Lord was tendered owing to his serious illness, and that Comptroller Reinhart is now on his way east, he having also tendered his resignation.

INDICTED FOR MURDER OF AUNT

(By Associated Press.)
HACKENSACK, N. J., July 30.—Gus Eberhard, a New York grocery clerk, who recently shot and killed his aunt, Mrs. Otillie Eberhard, on a lonely road here, and then her body of life savings, was indicted today for murder in the first degree. The trial has been set for September 14.

SAYS HARRIMAN HAS GOULD LINES

NEW YORK, July 30.—The American says: By a treaty of peace between E. H. Harriman and George J. Gould, which Wall street heard was approved by both parties today, immediately after Gould's arrival from Europe, Harriman becomes the dominant factor in the Gould railroads and the Erie becomes the eastern outlet for both the Harriman and Gould systems, besides getting an entrance into Pittsburgh.

Under this arrangement Harriman becomes master of about 30,000 miles of railroad main track and scores of ocean lines. Gould will remain president of the companies as heretofore, but it is understood that Harriman will dictate the policies.

This arrangement will rehabilitate the credit of the Gould companies. It will enable the Gould roads to raise money for improvements that are desperately needed. It will give Harriman joint use with the Missouri Pacific of the Western Pacific railroad. It will give the Erie railroad a half interest, either by direct ownership or trackage rights, over the Wheeling and Lake Erie and the Wabash Pittsburgh terminal.

At one stroke this turns both the Gould and Harriman lines into transcontinental railroads. It makes Harriman the first man to bestride the continent. He has achieved his ambition of being the first man in the United States to control an ocean to ocean railroad.

STOCK MARKET WAS NEGLECTED

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, July 30.—The stock market was much neglected today and for a large part of the time practically idle. The influence of this result is attributed to a feeling of suspense of a withheld announcement of a plan for settlement of the Wheeling and Lake Erie note maturity. Bonds were irregular.

Says Reports Credited to Him Are Infamous Lies--Enemies of Organized Labor Are at Bottom of It, He Charges.

WASHINGTON, July 30.—"A report that I ever said I would or would not deliver the labor vote to any political party is an infamous lie," said Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor today. "Organized labor is not only honest, but intelligent enough to choose a party for its support which best represents its interest. It is possible that by lies and misrepresentations the enemies of organized labor may injure me personally and even be successful in accomplishing my removal as president of the American Federation of Labor," said Gompers. "But that will never change my course of battling for principles for which I stand," he said.

Frank Hitchcock, Republican National chairman, when asked as to the truth of a report that a personal campaign was to be waged against Gompers, replied that "Nothing of the kind had been arranged."

POLICE ARE ON TRAIL OF MURDERERS

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, July 30.—That at least two men were concerned in the murder of the unidentified woman, whose half-charred, acid scarred body was found in the Green Point avenue dumping grounds in Williamsburg, Brooklyn, early yesterday morning was established today by the police. A laborer at Green Point saw a covered wagon driven at dawn yesterday. Two men got out and lifted from the wagon what witness supposed to be was only an old mattress. He saw the men pile a heap of brush on the mattress, pour oil over it and then set fire to the bundle. Believing the mattress was being destroyed because it was diseased infected the man avoided the place. The police have a good description of the men, who are foreigners. The covered wagon with the two men was seen boarding a ferry boat to East Twenty-third street, Manhattan. Another feature of the case disclosed when Dr. Wuest made a second autopsy on the corpse. The first autopsy revealed a deep cut across the woman's throat. The second autopsy shows this cut was made by a person who is an expert in surgery. The inclusion, says the coroner's physician was such as is made in desperate cases of diphtheria when it is necessary to pierce the windpipe to prevent strangulation. The failure to establish the identity of the victim is the greatest obstacle the police have to overcome. A general alarm has been sent out for Mrs. Mamie Muskovitch and her husband, Stanley, who have disappeared. Muskovitch left Green Point last Monday, supposedly for Stamford, Connecticut. Mrs. Muscovitch has not been seen since. Her husband is reported to have returned Tuesday alone.

NELSON AND GANS MATCHED

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, July 30.—Joe Gans and Battling Nelson were matched last night by Promoter James W. Coffroth to fight forty-five rounds at the Mission-street arena on the afternoon of Admission day, September 9. After a discussion that lasted for several hours the articles were signed by Ben Selig, Willis Britt and Coffroth, and forfeits of \$2500 from each fighters are to be posted immediately with John T. Clark. In many respects the match is similar in terms to that on the Fourth of July, save that Eddie Smith of Oakland was selected as the referee.

LOCATE STOLEN SECURITIES.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW BRITAIN, Conn., July 30.—It is declared that since Walker, the bank embezzler, has been placed in state's prison, some of the clues as to the whereabouts of the stolen securities of the Savings Bank of New Britain are being found. It is said that two weeks ago coupons of \$25,000 worth of these bonds were presented to a bank in Buffalo.

FLEET'S WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

(By Associated Press.)
SUVA, Fiji Island, July 30.—The Glacier, storeship of the United States Atlantic fleet, arrived today. She reports having been in communication by wireless with the battleship Georgia on Tuesday, a distance of 1200 miles, and hopes tonight to effect a chain of communication with the fleet through the tender Yankton, which is in Tonga islands, and the repair ship Panther which is at Pago Pago, Samoan islands.

ISSUES CALL FOR CONGRESS.

(By Associated Press.)
ABALINE, Kas., July 30.—J. B. Case, president, today issued a call for the annual session of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial congress, fixing dates for October 7 to 10, at San Francisco.

THE METAL MARKET.

NEW YORK, July 30.—Lead, firm, 4.47½ @ 4.52½; lake copper, firm, 13 1-8 @ 14; silver, 52 3-4.

BURNS HELD ON CONTEMPT CHARGE

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, July 30.—Judge Sturtevant today issued a citation for contempt against William J. Burns and two of his assistants, sought for by counsel for Abraham Ruef, and ordered that they appear before Judge Lawlor to show cause why they should not be adjudged in contempt. Burns is accused of having attempted to influence members of the jury panel.

THIEVING CASHIER MAKES CONFESSION

(By Associated Press.)
SEATTLE, Wash., July 30.—Confronted by irregularities in his own books and statements of deposit in New York and Chicago banks, R. F. Parkhurst, assistant cashier of the First National bank, confessed today that he had stolen \$48,330 of the bank's funds during the past fourteen years and was arrested on a charge of embezzlement. President Arnold of the bank said the shortage would be fully covered by Parkhurst's bondsmen and property he has turned over to the bank.

SOTHERN DIVORCE CAUSED BY ACTRESS

ATLANTA, Ga., July 30.—If on December 23, 1906, Virginia Harned had remained in Atlanta instead of jumping 1000 miles to Chicago for the sake of seeing her husband, E. H. Sothern, the divorce suit now pending might never have been filed. On the night mentioned Miss Harned appeared here at the Grand in "Camille."

She played to a packed house and then hurried back to her hotel, where she entered the long distance booth to get into communication with Chicago, where Sothern was then playing. It was her custom to talk with Sothern every night, no matter how far apart they might be. She got Chicago, but she could not get Sothern to the telephone.

Greatly excited she caught the midnight train for Chicago. It is stated that there she learned her husband was attentive to a beautiful actress. It was Christmas and, it is further said, Miss Harned learned that the actress was staying at the Annex. She hurried there and found her husband and the actress together. Then followed a scene and the estrangement which led to the divorce proceedings.

MINE OPERATOR COMMITS SUICIDE

SAN FRANCISCO, July 30.—Selecting a secluded spot in Golden Gate park, in the shrubbery near the music stand, Samuel P. Middleton, the veteran real estate and mining man, once wealthy and a power in the business world, drank a poisonous draft yesterday afternoon and then lay down to die. Having attained his three score years and ten, Middleton evidently believed that he had run his race. In extenuation of his act, he left a note containing his brief philosophy on self-destruction. In the early days he was a wealthy operator in real estate and mining stocks. He made a fortune in the Comstock days, but lost a great part of it in later ventures. Since the fire he has resided with his wife at 2517 Post street.

THOMAS AUTO IS IN PARIS

GIVEN ENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION UPON ARRIVING AT FRENCH CAPITAL.

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, July 30.—The Thomas car in the New York-to-Paris race crossed the French frontier at noon and reached Paris at 8 o'clock this evening. The car was escorted up the boulevards by automobile enthusiasts who met it at Meaux, twenty-five miles east of Paris, and was given a great ovation.

SOCIETY EDITOR WINS LIBEL SUIT

LOS ANGELES, July 30.—By a decision of the supreme court rendered yesterday the Los Angeles Record will be compelled to pay what is probably the record price ever paid by a newspaper for a story. The higher tribunal upheld the imposed of \$10,000 damages granted by a jury to Miss Mabel Claire Ervin, a former reporter on the paper. The story which the court held to be libelous appeared in the sporting section of the paper, and it implied that the woman writer and the Chinese pugilist, Ah Wing, were on terms of friendly intimacy. The story was written in jest, but it proved a rather expensive joke for the publishers of the paper, as it will cost them \$36.70 a word.

FRUSTRATES UPRISING PLOT.

LISBON, July 30.—The government, according to the newspapers of Lisbon, has discovered and frustrated a widespread republican plot for an uprising scheduled for today, the anniversary of the abortive revolt of July 28, 1907, which was suppressed by ex-Premier Franco.

JUDGE TAFT FEELS SOMEWHAT TIRED

(By Associated Press.)
HOT SPRINGS, Va., July 30.—Candidate William H. Taft admitted this afternoon that he felt somewhat tired from the rapid evolutions he has been going through the past few days. After passing on an accumulation of correspondence, he went over a four-mile golf course with Senator Bourne of Oregon, as his opponent.

BASE BALL.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.
Results of Yesterday's Games.
Brooklyn, 2; Pittsburgh, 0.
Philadelphia, 5; Cincinnati, 0.
New York, 11; St. Louis, 0.
Chicago, 13; Boston, 4 (first game).
Chicago, 6; Boston, 3 (second game).
AMERICAN LEAGUE.
St. Louis, 5; Philadelphia, 1.
Detroit, 3; Boston, 2.
Washington, 5; Chicago, 4.
Cleveland, 3; New York, 2.
PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE.
Los Angeles, 5; Oakland, 1.
Portland, 6; San Francisco, 2.